

Community Services Department

MEETING MINUTES

Senior Citizens Advisory Board July 20, 2021

- Call to Order/Roll Call: Chair Carmichael called the meeting of the Senior Citizens
 Advisory Board to order at 9:00 a.m. Board Members Present: Chair Carmichael, ViceChair Goff, Chu, Epperson, and Martinez. Board Members Excused: Hornung. Staff
 Present: Brewer and Tessier.
- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Chair Carmichael led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 3. **REVIEW OF AGENDA:** No changes.
- 4. **ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES:** The Board accepted the minutes with corrections of the June 15, 2021 meeting.
- CONSENT CALENDAR: None.
- 6. PUBLIC COMMENT: None.
- 7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:
 - a. Receive and File Monthly Meal Totals Superintendent Brewer presented.
- 8. **NEW BUSINESS:** None.
- 9. ITEMS FROM BOARD MEMBERS:

Board Member Chu extended kudos to the Blue Horizons. He said it shows that seniors still have a place in this world even if it's outer space.

10. ITEMS FROM STAFF:

a. Discuss Reopening of Senior Center on July 26, 2021 – Superintendent Brewer stated that the Senior Center will be reopening on Monday, July 26th. Everyone, employees and patrons, must wear masks inside, no matter what. This is a recommendation by the County and a mandate by the City. There will be new signage on the 26th stating this. The Senior Center will be opening up slowly. Instructors are coming back as they are comfortable. County classes won't come back until the fall. Letters were sent to the grab and go people and phone calls were made to the delivery people about both programs ending. One car will now be used through the end of September and then delivery will end. Reasons are because the County doesn't support a delivery program and the extra Cares Act money runs out in September so there won't be funding for the grab and go for the extra people. People will still be able to come in, get a placemat, have the meal served, and then place it into their to-go containers to take with them.

Vice-Chair Goff stated that there are more people coming down and getting food than when the Senior Center was open.

Board Member Epperson asked about what will happen when the front door opens. Will there be any kind of screening, sanitizing hands, sign in? **Superintendent Brewer** stated that she doesn't know about screening, but will ask HR. There will be hand sanitizer by the door and everyone will still be signing in, but it will be moved to the front door.

Vice-Chair Goff asked if four people will be sitting on each side of the tables and if bakery goods will be sold again. He stated concern about the people picking up bakery goods and signing in. **Superintendent Brewer** said that there will be four people on each side since there is no more six feet of distancing. Masks will be required except when eating. Bakery goods will be sold again. There will be someone at the desk making sure people are signing in.

Board Member Martinez asked if people can still come in with their own lunches. She is concerned about sanitation and contamination. **Superintendent Brewer** said yes as long as it doesn't impact space. It has been proven that contamination doesn't live on the food.

Vice-Chair Goff asked about pedro, Thursday night bingo, and the coffee bar. Superintendent Brewer stated that pedro would be starting back up. Fred will come back to run it. They will be able to reserve tables. Nothing like that will change. She stated it would be nice to do business as it had been and it will be evaluated if people need their lunch early for certain reasons. No word on when Thursday night bingo will start. Supervisor Tessier stated that Salim will not be returning so the non-profit suggested that the coffee bar have soda, water, Keurig coffees, chips, and ice cream. No sandwiches and no lattes unless someone wants to volunteer and run the bar five days a week.

Board Member Chu asked if mahjong will start on Monday. **Supervisor Tessier** stated yes as a drop in.

Chair Carmichael asked about welcome back decorations, bus pickup, and casino trips. **Superintendent Brewer** said there is a lot going on with the opening, but they will try to do something. **Supervisor Tessier** stated that she will use the Flex station wagon due to Class B staffing issues. Casino trips are being looked into for potentially October.

Superintendent Brewer stated that everyone should feel free to call or email her if they have any questions.

Vice-Chair Goff asked about the Board. **Superintendent Brewer** stated that there would probably be an election of everyone next year in February except for Board Members Chu and Hornung. The other five will run for a position. Two of the positions will be two years and three of the positions will be one year. In person meetings will not be happen until City Council goes back and then tells the commission to go back. Council's lead will be followed.

11. **ADJOURNMENT**: Meeting was adjourned at 9:34 a.m.